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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : D. Dube, et al.

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For : 4-OXO-1-(3-SUBSTITUTED PHENYL-1,4-DIHYDRO-1,8-NAPHTHYRIDINE-3-CARBOXAMIDE PHOSPHODIESTERASE-4 INHIBITORS

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Final Rejection dated June 21, 2007 setting forth shortened statutory period for response ending September 21, 2007. Reconsideration of applicant's claims is requested. Any additional fees required in connection with this response may be taken from Merck Deposit account no. 13-2755. Please amend the application as follows:

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**REMARKS** begin on page 9 of this paper.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, on the date appearing below.

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By Christopher J. Lamp Date July 24, 2007